AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RENAME THIRKELD AVENUE, SE IN ITS ENTIRETY TO LORETTA KIMPSON AVENUE, SE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, the street currently known as Thirkeld Avenue, SE is within the corporate boundaries of the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Loretta Kimpson was an active community leader that led by example, raising the bar high not only for herself, but for those who followed her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Loretta Kimpson had a desire to see that not only her five children, but all children were actively involved in school, church and their community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Loretta Kimpson was instrumental in organizing a church/community choir, a recreation center to help keep all children active and positively involved with their community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Loretta Kimpson was considered a beacon to the community and to children everywhere and was the recipient of numerous awards and citations for her service and her unwavering dedication to children; and

WHEREAS, notice and a public hearing on the proposed street name change will be done in accordance with the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, this will address any concerns the neighbors and the affected business community, may have and will not cause any undue hardships for anyone.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That the Mayor or his designee is authorized to rename Thirkeld Avenue, SE in its entirety to Loretta Kimpson Avenue, SE.

SECTION 2: The changes are effective upon the Mayor's approval.

SECTION 3: That the appropriate City agencies, including but not limited to the Departments of Police, Fire and Public Works, Bureau of Planning and the Clerk of Council, are hereby directed to take such steps as are necessary to have the name changed on street signs, maps and other official documents and markers.

SECTION 4: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

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